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## A proclamation celebrating October as Arts DuPage Month in the Village of Westmont

**WHEREAS**, the arts, culture, and humanities are the embodiment of all things beautiful and entertaining in the world -- the enduring record of human achievement; and

**WHEREAS,** the arts, culture and humanities enhance every aspect of life in the Village of Westmont -improving our economy, enriching our civic life, driving tourism, and exerting a profound positive influence on the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, the arts promote a better understanding of the diversified cultures within our communities and unify us regardless of age, race, and ethnicity; and

**WHEREAS**, the arts sector in DuPage County consists of 2,272 arts related businesses and account for 4.2 percent of the total number of businesses in the region, a larger share of the economy than transportation, tourism, agriculture, and construction; and

WHEREAS, the arts provide full-time employment for over 15,000 workers in DuPage County; and

**WHEREAS**, the arts improve our economy, enrich our civic life, drive tourism and commerce, and exert a profound positive influence on the education of our children; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Westmont has embraced local artists by creating a community arts initiative which includes new events to showcase and promote artists and their work; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of October has been recognized as Arts DuPage Month by Arts DuPage and the arts and cultural organizations in all the communities within DuPage County:

**THEREFORE**, I,Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor of the Village of Westmont, do hereby proclaim October 2022 as **WESTMONT ARTS DUPAGE MONTH** and call upon all citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in DuPage County.

<b>PASSED AND APPROVED</b> by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois, this 22nd day of September, 2022.	
Ayes: Nays:	Absent:
	Attest:

Ronald J. Gunter Mayor Virginia Szymski Village Clerk